



**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No.: 10/688,068  
Filing Date: October 17, 2003  
Applicant: John H. Dukesherer  
Group Art Unit: 3737  
Examiner: John Fernando Ramirez  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SURGICAL  
NAVIGATION  
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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION AND AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR  
EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed August 1, 2006, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.